

Brian J. Kelly

Major

U.S. Air Force

Class of 1974



While at Needham High School, Brian Kelly was a Boys' State representative and a member of the hockey and lacrosse teams.

He received a B.S. in Management from the United States Air Force Academy in 1979 and, while there, was a Squadron Commander and a member of the Cadet Soaring Program. He also participated in hockey, lacrosse, and boxing, as well as being the Grass Roots Program Cadet Representative for Massachusetts (speaking on behalf of the Academy to high school students across the state). He received an M.S. in Logistic Management from the Air Force Institute of Technology in 1983 and an M.B.A. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1985. In 1986 he graduated from the Squadron Officer School and in 1987 from the Air Command and Staff College.

In his career in the Air Force, Major Kelly has directed the installation and maintenance of cryptographic and teletype equipment and wire communications facilities; has managed a \$25 million design, analysis, and engineering contract and classified U.S. Space Program contract; and has been responsible for the research, development, test, and evaluation of classified Special Access Programs for advanced airborne reconnaissance and intelligence sensors and an executive level program in support of the B-2 Advanced Technology Bomber. He is currently directing a team of ten engineers and technicians responsible for the

support and maintenance of a \$50 million ground station operating the principal payload aboard a new satellite system conducting research directly supporting the Secretary of Defense.

Major Kelly has been awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, a USAF Senior Space Badge, and an Air Force Commendation Medal. He was also on the National Deans List and has been named an Outstanding Young Man of America and a Griffiss AFB Junior Officer of the year.